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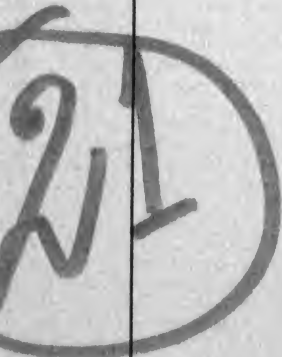
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## SUBJECT.

"Chhatra bani"

## NOTES AND ORDERS.

26

Memo. No. C/I. -11 (Gen) dt- 25.11.39 from U.P. SB

Ac. I.

Perusal of Pg. 26 with refce to Govt. Notification at Pgs. 24+25.  
With regard to no. (2) the title of the pamphlet may be  
referenced.

U.P. C.B. may be informed telegraphically or  
by Xpress letter that no. (2) is proscribed & no.  
+ date of the notification given.

all  
28/11

Drafted

28/11

yes.

Re 1. - refer above.

no ref

28/11

28/11

DEC

Perusal

The name of no (1) about which the  
refce section says there is no refce. appears  
so much familiar. <sup>agent</sup> Labour dealing  
offices may also report. Issue  
Esapt & adding that further enquiries  
are in progress?

as proposed 28/11/39

28/11

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Just placed on India  
board for agent dealing  
offices to note & report.



46. No.  $\frac{1548}{758-39(K)}$  d/2.2.40 from J.B.

Ac. II

Perusal with referee to p. 41 (flagged)

Referee section may supply the particulars

$\frac{RR}{5/2}$

W.W. for a note pl. p. 5/2

$\frac{W.W.}{5/2}$

W.W.'s note filed in SF.

Ac. II

Drafts for approval (vide order above).

$\frac{ad}{M}$

p. 12/2



28. Memo. No. 61-11 (Lyn) d/- 30/4/38 from U.S.B.

AS.I.

Perusal of pg. 28 with reference to pg. 27. The pamphlet "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" is a small eight-page pamphlet in English. The contents are of an anti-war and communistic nature. F.R. awaited

For orders.

Don

Perusal.

Ad PH  
4/12

our agent dealing officers may try

& procure the pamphlet. U.S.B. letter at

p 26 shows this was printed at the Hindustan Printing Syndicate 25 Bensiaboka Lane (the CP's haunt). It is for consideration whether the Press should be searched for this, as the letter at p 28 shows that the pamphlet is of anti war & Communistic character & U.S.B. have gone up for its prescription.

Yes 4/12

de

we may search the press & seize the books.

In  
4/12

Yes  
4/12

S. Vamant - given  
to S. Ch.  
4/12

AS.II.

as ordered on search report at pg. 33. draft to U.S.B. for approval.

Ad  
11/2

Report of P. Secy d/- 4/12/38

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D.C. II

Remsal of lg 33. as ordered, draft for approval.

W. P. 11/12

Dr 11/12

- (1) Govt. of Bengal, Pol. Dept. Notification No. 7190 P. d/- 21.12.38
- (2) Memo. No. B. - Gm d/- 20.12.38 from U.P. SB.

43+44

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~~43~~ 42

D.C. II.

- (1) Remsal of lgs. 43+44 with refce. to our letter at lg. 35.

D.C.'s query at lg. 44 may be seen.

- (2) Remsal of lg. 42. Submitted with draft for approval.

(2) Issue & then put up again  
re(1). This was printed a year ago.  
T.D. 3/11

ad 2/11

Dr

Re 1. "Prejudicial act" by making  
printing or publishing a document made, printed  
or published before the ordinance came into force  
has not been made punishable under the D.I. Rules,  
rather protected from penal action by clause (i) of  
proviso (a) and clause (i) of proviso (b) to subrule  
(5) of Rule 38 of the said Rules. So no prosecution  
will lie in this case - this document was made  
in Decr 1938.

Only rule 40 - under which  
action <sup>(re forfeiture)</sup> has been taken - was given retrospective effect.

T.D. 3

C.P. Refce. f. 44. We can do nothing

Dr 6/1

C.P. 7/1/40

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✓ Agrawal - Bhothwal - Editor "Chhatravani" -

B.

9, 46, 47,

✓ Bhattacharji - Mahadeb - M.B.P.S.F., 159A, Banning  
Street, Calcutta - 8/o Jatinendra  
Mohan of Palesdanga, Nakashipara,  
Nadia.

46, 47A,

✓ Barman - Kshiti-bhushan - B.P.S.F. - is a 8/o late  
Kunja Behari of Nidyakot, Nabnagar,  
Dipesh + 55, Pratapaditya Road, Calcutta.

46,

✓ Bose - Puriaki -

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✓ Bose - Subhas Ch. -

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✓ Bhalotia - Kishan Lal - Editor "Chhotavani" -

53,

✓ Bose - Chinmoy - N.A. - Student leader.

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9,

✓ bhattacharji - Shiba Prasad - of 3, P.C. Bose Lane,  
Krishnagar, Nadia.

46, 47,

✓ bhattacharji - Naren - (BLSF) - 8/0 Kamini Kumar  
of Rahamatpur, Bansal + of 3 D. Chandra  
mandal Lane, Balurite.

46, 47,

✓ bhattacharji - Shiba Prasad - (BLSF) - 8/0 J. P. Chatterjee  
of Mohini Lodge, Krishnagar, + of 44,  
Scotts Lane, Balurite.



18, 19, 20, 32,

✓ Datta - Bijan - (B.P.S.F.).

Printer + Publisher of the special  
issue of "Chhahabani" of  
6, Agwini Datta Lane - Road.

29, 32, 33, 36,

✓ Das, Gupta - Ranadhir - (E.C).

of Chittagong - + partner  
of the 'Hindusthan Printing  
Syndicate'!!

29, 32,

✓ Das - Deb. Kumar -

Partner of the Hindusthan Printing  
Syndicate -

46, 47,

✓ Dasgupta - Sudhamoy - (B.P.S.F) 80, 1st Ashutosh  
of Dutta, Tangibani, Dacca - 137,  
Bombay Street, Calcutta.

46, 47A.

✓ Das - Tridib - (B.P.S.F) - 80, Sitakanta of 7A  
Jyotnarayan Lane, Bombay.

f

48,

Jagya Balra - Editor "Chakravani," Agnes -

50,

Jain - Rabi Chandra - Editor "Chakravani" -

29, 33,

✓ Krandu —

umendra Nath — (E. C.)

Partner of the "Hindustan Printing  
Syndicate" —

46,

✓ Kumar - Sudhin - Printing Secy. A.I. Students' Cong.



20, 21, 22,

✓ Lane —

No: 7, Murali Dhar Sen —

— 'Ajanta Printing works' —

26, 29, 33, 34,

✓ Lane —

No: 26. 25; Beniatalla — Col.

35, 40, 43,

— The Hindustan Printing  
Syndicate.

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✓  
Mehta - Rameshwar - Editor "Chhatravani"

20, 21,

✓ Neogy —

Suresh Nath —

Sp. the late Haridas - of Bhabuchi,  
Yangail, Mymensingh; + of  
82/1, Harrison Road: Calcutta.

Statement — (pp. 18-20); Proprietor

— "Ajanta Printing works" —



✓  
Publication — <sup>P.</sup> "Problem of Political Prisoners" — an article entitled —  
which appeared in the Feb-March 1939 issue of  
the "Chhatra Bani" —

18, ✓ Publication — "Ganabani"  
office — at 220, Cornwallis St.  
— Cal.

20, 21, 22, ✓ Press — "Ajanta Printing Works."  
at 7, Murali Dhar Sen Lane  
Cal. —

26, 27, 28, 32, 34, 35, 36, 40, 41, 42, 43, 43A, 45, 46, ✓ Publication — "Students' Role in the  
Anti-Imperialist Struggle"  
— Printed at the Hindusthan  
Printing Syndicate — ~~25~~  
25 — Beniatola Lane — Cal;  
— a pamphlet — entitled —

28, 29, 33, 34, 35, 36, 43, ✓ Press — Hindusthan Printing Syndicate  
at 25, Beniatola Lane — Cal;  
"Students' Role in the  
anti-Imperialist Struggle" was  
printed at —

46, 47A.

✓ Lodhar - Suren — (B.S.P., C.P.) — 8/0 Kanai Lal of  
Lohagara, Jessore + 7, St. James Square,  
Calcutta.

✓ Publication — objectionable article in the "Chhatra Bani"  
entitled "This Way, That Way + by turns" —  
not acceptable.

R

46, 47,

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Ray Choudhury - Subata - 86 Gyendra 78,  
Parasan Road, Balutta.

18, 21, 22, 32, ✓ Street — no. 220, Cornwallis —  
 office of the Ganabani; —  
 + the office of the "Chhatra-  
 bani" —

46, ✓ Sen - Saitesh -

50, ✓ Sugandh - Kumari Bhagawati - editor, "Chhatravani" -

53, ✓ Singh - D.B. - Genl. Secy. U.P. S.F.



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23,

✓  
Thakur. Comrade — Genl. Secy: Beha Provincial S. F.

**Government of Bengal.**

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	<p>The DeRoy Church</p> <p>Ref. M. C. S. S. 71</p>		<p>6/6 28/7</p> <p>28/324/3</p>	<p>1881/10</p> <p>REIN</p>	

In the minds of the reactionaries, who as such, had been acting as rabid dogs as demonstrated at Rajshahi and Maldah. Besides them, the military officers, C.I.D. and half C.I.Ds from the side of the Govt, were constantly after them. Why were these repressions when Students' Federation was not an illegal organization? The Student should themselves decide whether to join the Federation or not and not the teachers nor the Govt. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~.

The problem of political prisoners :- ( page 26 )-

"The political prisoners lodged in Alipore and Dumdum jails have decided to go on hunger-strike. It was a matter of great shame that we could not make any arrangement for the release of those heroic national workers who are welcoming death by inches, due to the re-  
-pression of Imperialism within the prison bars. " During the last Andamans agitation, the whole nation, particularly the students, placed their demands before the Govt by force of direct action and caused the foundation of imperialism to tremble. The Govt, due to the intensity of the agitation, was compelled to release the politicals. The enthusiasm shown by the students during this agitation would remain as historical facts. Two years have since elapsed; many a face-saving and insincere arrangements were made on this score but the main problem was shelved. " The students who took to a great field during the last agitation will again have to <sup>come forward</sup> take the leadership in political prisoners' release agitation. It is possible to get back the heroic fighters for freedom from the clutches of imperialist hangmen, by direct mass action only %.

It is yet another addition to the list of left-wing papers, having a predominantly socialistic tone. The last article is venomous but may not be strong enough for successful action under ~~XXXX~~ the I.P.(E.P.) Act.

*S. Chatterji*  
Insp. S.B.  
14.3.39.

No. 143, 14-12-39  
I entirely agree.  
The Country is being  
flooded with such papers  
and in most cases we have  
to look helplessly on.  
P. P. Chatterji  
P.P.  
16.3.1939.



" Struggle of the exploited class and communalism " by Jnanendra

Das Gupta on pages 13 to 15 - Communal problem came to exist not

on points of religion but on ~~XXXXXX~~ political and economic environments of the country. There was nothing to be wondered at the attempts of Muslim League and the Hindu Mahasava to keep alive the communal "wisdom". It was not difficult to understand that the foreign imperialism which had struck its root in the colonial countries for imperialistic greed, would not be unwilling to utilise money and strength to sap the solidarity of the nation by creating differences. It was the foremost duty of the exploited class to launch struggle to be free from the clutches of foreign imperialism, to destroy the present day order of society.

" Prelude to progressive literature " by Arun Banerji, pages 15 to 18

The progressive writers' will have to take upon themselves the task of waging a continuous fight against the reactionary forces of Fascism and Imperialism which was at its last phase. Education and culture must be saved from destruction. The progressive writers' had no hesitation to declare- " They want to assert the rights of man, to end exploitation and to ~~XX~~ give a fitting reply to deception, to unfurl the flag of victory, red with martyrs blood- I, the poet of 20th century, sing in praise of revolution ".

" Students strike at Burma "- on pages 18 to 19- The students of

Burma went on strike in protest of Governmental measures against the peaceful strikers of Burma Oil Coy. This agitation is primarily against the Govt and the rich of Burma. A particular significance is attached to this strike. It is a strike of the students to safeguard the interests of the 'have-nots'. The students are a section of the nation. So the students could not sit idle when the Govt subdued the legitimate demands of the workers and the peasants who are component parts of the nation, in the name of law and order.

E.F?

At a meeting of the volunteers organized at the time of All India Students' Conference, from South Calcutta, it was decided that the name of the corps should be "Vanguard Corps". 60 students have so far joined this organization.

E.F?

A society under the name "Free Thinkers Society" has been formed at the university by Sanat Kumar Roy Chowdhury.

Repression of students :- ( page 25)- The gradual consolidation of the students under the banner of the Federation has caused consternation

to give rise to some suspicion in the minds of the general body of the students that the Federation was not a desirable organization. This mean propaganda indicated that reactionary forces wanted to do away with this great progressive organization. Such misapprehension should be dispelled from the minds of the students and the students leaders should try to get active support of the 20 thousand members of the Federation and organize it on a genuine democratic basis by upholding the elementary demands of the rank and file of the students.

" Education and Independence " by Bijon Dutt on pages 10 -12.

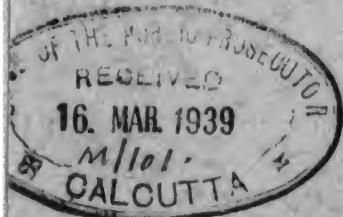
The education now imparted through schools and colleges was not the education that they desired. True education should teach them to love their country, should point out the way through which the exploited masses would attain salvation, should make them proper citizens and make them ready to fight against communalism. Education should be brought <sup>within</sup> to the easy reach of the masses by decreasing its expenses. The Govt did not pay as much attention as the Govt of other countries paid towards education. The ' Huq Ministry ' on the otherhand attempted to lessen the number of schools and ~~colleges~~ colleges. Only 10 % had been educated under 200 years of the existence of British Imperialism but in the soviet Russia the number of educated persons rose to 98% from 22 % in the course of 20 years. Imperialists could never educate the masses of its colonies as it knew that in that case the masses would eventually sound its death-knell. Attempts were made to retrench the already-insignificant educational grant of the Govt. Students were debarred from getting National education as the Imperialists knew fully well that to keep a nation in perpetual slavery necessitated the destruction of her education and culture. Educational expenses should be cut down and pressure should be put on the Govt to grant more subsidy for education. Free Primary education should be introduced. Imperialism was responsible for their illiteracy so as to continue its exploitation without hindrance. Destruction of Imperialism and attainment of independence was the primary requirements for country's education. One of the steps to establish socialism was to co-ordinate the revolutionary organizations of the peasants , workers, students & youths through active struggle under the leadership of the working class.



Review of " CHHATRABANI "- a Bangali monthly for Falgun  
( Feb-March'39)- first issue, first volume. Printed at Ajanta  
Printing Works by Bijon Kumar Dutt and published by the same  
from 220 Cornwallis Street. Editor- Bijon Dutt. Priced at -/2/-  
per copy.

(Page 1-5) - The students' movement in India stood for ' freedom  
peace and progress '. The movement had reached such a stage  
when their ideology should be properly understood. They wanted  
freedom from the exploitation of capitalism which was responsi-  
ble for unemployment, poverty and hunger. Freedom's movement  
in this country was launched to do away with these evils. This  
was possible in a socialist state of society. The greed for  
annexing colonies by Imperialist powers to secure market has  
threatened the peace of the world. Permanent peace could be  
ensured through socialist revolution. The soviet union required  
no colonial expansion and was fighting for world peace. The ca-  
pitalism was opposed to any kind of progress in the mankind  
to keep them in perpetual darkness., " We have also no education  
in India, under British Imperialism "... only those books which  
praised them, were studied in classes. Entry of books into In-  
dia from foreign countries was stopped so that progressive id-  
eals could not reach India. But Soviet Union in the course of  
its 20 years' existence had made immense progress in education  
sanitation etc. This leads them to believe that manifestation  
of the ideology of the students is possible only in a socialist  
the establishment of  
Society. So the students should fight for socialism.

Students' movement and Students' Federation " by Sanat Kumar  
Roy Chowdhury on pages 6 to 9 - It says that the students' com-  
munity had now become fully conscious, was keeping abreast of  
all political, financial, national and international problems and  
had become a force to be reckoned with under the centralised  
and disciplined guidance of the Students' Federation. Their  
ideology being attainment of ' freedom, peace and progress ',  
they have sincere sympathy with every anti-imperialist agita-  
-tion and so they assist democratic and emancipatory struggles.  
Though the Students' Federation was implementing, with all its  
might, the political agitation, yet it should not be branded as  
solely a political organization. But mean attempts are made to





Py.  
C.P.

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We had considered  
action u/s 4 (1) (b) of the  
I.P. (E.P.) Act but the  
case was not considered  
strong enough for prosecution  
demanding security as  
appeal to the High Ct.  
lies against the order.

RP.  
28/3

To  
C.P.  
28/3.

DM

19/3  
100.7549/P.Y. 8/31 3/29

Jt. Secy.

For info.

RP.  
30/3

W/O. Lo. 214 X.  
31.5.39

Seen, thanks.

Moller  
31/3/39.

AM  
2/4

File  
RP.  
2/4

100. 7549/1.7  
20/3/39.

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J. C. Secy. (Mr. Hutchings)

You might like to see this.

Another instance of the modern design of speeches & writings enabling the deliverer to sail really close to the wind. This article seems only a point free of it.

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18/3

Instr. Secy.

Put up

8/3

To  
H. J. C. Secy 2/0.  
20/3.

Dep. Secy  
20/3

Secy. all the more 20/3

reason to take security at time of declaration.

also do not forget

4 (1) (2) I. P. (E. P.) act

which might be used here to justify security if it is worth while to do so.

Reuben

20/3/39.

e. p. 24/2

On command

and comment

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Hour of receipt by Dy. Commr. \_\_\_\_\_

Use Daily to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, D. D.  
S. B.

D. D. \_\_\_\_\_  
S. B. \_\_\_\_\_

CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector \_\_\_\_\_

of D. D. Calcutta, dated \_\_\_\_\_ 19

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
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I intend to engage that room for our office since 182. 27/7/37  
May I expect you ~~once~~ here during this period? I could not know of anything yet what District Committee will do. However, it is much to be decided by this time, otherwise, it is ~~not~~ in meaningful to rent a room for our office.  
Hope to hear from you soon.

Yours,  
Sd/- Chitra Prasad Chatterjee  
3, P.C. Bose Lane,  
Brishnagar, Naria.

Subscribed  
H. B. Das  
28/6/37



Date \_\_\_\_\_

Hour of receipt by Dy. Commr. \_\_\_\_\_

Due Daily to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, D. D.  
S. B. \_\_\_\_\_

D. D. \_\_\_\_\_  
S. B. \_\_\_\_\_

CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector \_\_\_\_\_

of D. D. Calcutta, dated \_\_\_\_\_ 19  
S. B. \_\_\_\_\_

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
	<p>I have succeeded also - (1) Disturbance of "Chhatra Bani" (2) To secure a room on a monthly rent for our Office &amp; (3) To enrol members on behalf of our Federation.</p> <p>I have already secured 20 subscribers for "Chhatra Bani" &amp; hope to push more. I have <del>secured</del> found out a room on the 18th floor of a house, adjacent to "Kalibani" on High St. now it depends upon your approval. The rent of the room is Rs. 4/- per month.</p> <p>An "United Block" has been formed in our school &amp; I have been elected Captain-in-charge on behalf of our Federation.</p>	

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Hour of receipt by Dy. Commr. \_\_\_\_\_

Use Daily to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, D. D.  
S. B.

D. D. \_\_\_\_\_  
S. B. \_\_\_\_\_

CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector \_\_\_\_\_

of D. D. Calcutta, dated \_\_\_\_\_  
S. B.

19 \_\_\_\_\_

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
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Translation of a Bengali letter with  
bearing postal seal of India.

Mugible

INDEXED

From - Shiba Prasad Chakravarty

3, P.C. Bose Lane  
Krishnapur, Nadia

Superscription - Comrade

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Mahadeb Bhattacharya

H.B. P.S. 7

159A, Bowbazar, Calcutta

Calcutta

Letter No. 1

Dear Mahadeb Bhai

After your departure  
from this place I have started  
following work according  
to your advice & to some extent

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Very Secret

19679  
27/6/39

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Shudant

SPECIAL BRANCH OFFICE,

14, LORD SINHA ROAD,

Calcutta, the 30. 6. 1939.

Memo. No. 19679.  
PY 616/39.

(The secrecy of this interception may kindly be maintained.)

Interception by the Inland/Foreign Mail of

the 26<sup>th</sup> of June 1939. 8 Am.

From Siba Prasad Chatterji, B.C. Bose Lane,  
Kishinagar, Nadia.  
To Comrade, Mahadeb Bhattacharya, H.B.P.S. 7,  
159A, Bowbazar St., Calcutta.  
Language of letter Bengali  
Post office of interception Bowbazar  
Date of letter nil  
Name of officer who can prove the interception and the fact that it has  
been photographed H. d. Bose  
Whether photographed or not nil  
Whether withheld or delivered delivered  
If delivered, whether copy kept or not Translation kept.  
Interception authorised vide Government Order No. No Govt. order.

Copies forwarded to SP Nadia?



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A. Standard 8/11.7.39

## APPEAL TO STUDENTS AND YOUTHS

Comrades, Bijan Datta, Arun Banerjee, Sanat Roy Chowdhury on behalf of the Editorial Board of Chattrabani have issued the following statement:—

The political prisoners of Dum Dum and Alipore Central Jails have gone on hunger-strike. The prisoners had put forward their legitimate demand for unconditional release many a times before the Huq Ministry but the agents of imperialism who have established themselves safely in the ministerial "gadi" heeded them not. Gandhiji assured the country of the release of political prisoners by negotiations. His mission has miserably failed. He has now invented a new "technique"—a technique of surrender to imperialism and its agents. Hence the political prisoners—the undaunted soldiers of freedom's battle—have no other alternative but to take resort to hunger-strike.

The struggle has begun. There is no time to wait. Andaman movement has taught us that only the direct mass action, only the mass pressure can put a brake on the present policy of the Huq Ministry. Every opportune moment should be utilised. British Imperialism is busy in Danzig and Poland. This is the most right time to strike.

We appeal to all the anti-Imperialist forces to organise meetings and demonstrations. We appeal to the students and youths to march jointly irrespective of theoretical differences. Shoulder to shoulder on 15th July, on this common issue—the unconditional release of all the political prisoners.

This review of books is mentioned "Fascism and India"  
 by G. K. Basu in which Fascism as found in Italy  
 and the fascist tendency growing in Indian  
 political movements are delineated. Price - 2/-  
 Under current topics it approves of Subhas  
 Chandra Bose's Forward Bloc.

L. B. Chandra

Briendraman Senapati

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An article in 'Socialist & Capitalist Economics'  
Contributed by Dr. Rita Cupan (?) from America  
Translated by Samir Basu deals with the difference  
between the two and condemns the Capitalist  
One as oppressive and injurious to the best interest  
of the masses.

Samir Basu Chowdhury in his article on  
Student Society and Constructive Movement  
wishes the Students, who go out to educate  
the masses during holidays, to give real  
education to the masses by imparting the  
real knowledge of their circumstances into  
the Capitalist regime and how to solve the  
problem of the hungry millions.

Now the Capitalist Students' Movement  
in India is creating the Vanguard  
Club and the Volunteer Corps formed by  
it. With the following office bearers in  
Calcutta:-

Secretaries - Syamal Sen  
Rabindra Bhaduri

Members - Soresh Sen  
Bhupati Danjoo  
Subin Roy Chowdhury

[Office at - 159/D Road (3) 087]

President. Prof. Khagen Danath Sen

Sub. Committee - Prof. Khagen Danath Sen

Arjun Danjoo  
Haren Chatterjee  
Gopulla Ghose  
Ramen Bhattacharya  
Tarapada Chakravarty  
Sushin Kumar  
Pravaranjan Ghose  
Tridib Ghose

Listed in 1949.



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in every society was found one class controlling the means of production exploiting the masses for their own selfish ends and this class creates a social structure in order to preserve their rights and privileges. A continual war goes on between the exploiters and the exploited, each trying to crush the other. The present age is full of activities of the class of exploiters against the surging waves of Communism in order to save its age-long social structure from destruction. The students, who come from exploiting classes, are facing unemployment and are sitting on the fence thinking which side to join. The writer holds up before them two paths for selection - the path of Fascism which is determined to crush Communism and keep the masses under their iron heels and the path of Communism which is equally determined to destroy the present social structure and build a classless society ~~structure~~ in which masses are expected to live happily.

The poems on 'Dawn after age' by Abanindranath Tagore, 'Paal' by Goutam Das, 'Araunyakanta' by Haraprasad Datta and "Red flag" a Bengali translation of the English poem by Sourindranath Tagore are all pure & simple Communist poems.

Bijou Datta writes a serial on George Dimitroff's life, while Sudhin Das has contributed an article on 'May Day'. In his article on the history of Market Ramen Bhattacharya describes the ruthless manner in which the Capitalists - suppressed the legitimate demands of the producers in creating a market all for the enjoyment of a handful of Capitalists.

and Capitalism by totally destroying Socialistic states parti-  
-cularly Russia who was fighting for the exploited  
masses reduced to penury & slavery by the untold oppres-  
-sions of the imperialist powers who ruthlessly exploited  
the masses for the benefit of a handful of capitalists.  
In a word the imperialists have already started the  
second great-war with great pomp to safeguard  
their interests. The British & the French have submitted to  
the will of the Fascist powers without protest and even  
helped them with <sup>economic policy</sup> money and did not feel scruple to commit  
treachery as seen in the last Munich pact. On  
the other hand the exploited masses are getting conscious  
of their situation and struggling to gain their  
freedom and power by destroying Capitalism & Imperialism  
the root causes of their poverty & bondage and bringing  
the social order devoid of classes by destroying  
private property. Commenting on the political situa-  
-tion of India, the writer says, that British Govt  
is ready for the next war in which millions  
of Indians, its money & materials of India would be  
sacrificed at the altar of imperialism as was  
done in the last war. Dealing with the present  
international situation he says that students  
of the world should espouse the cause of the  
masses struggling for freedom.]

Pravat Sen contributes an article under the  
Caption "Social Revolution and Students Move-  
ment" in which he describes himself and his  
associates as Communists and explains the class  
war as the cause of social revolution. He writes



Review of a Bengali Magazine named "Chattabani" for May-June, third issue, first year (1939).

It is claimed the <sup>only</sup> organ of the progressive students, edited by Bijan Dutta (editor) Arun Banerjee, Sankhamoy Das Gupta, Sanat Roy Choudhury, and Khagen Sharma, printed in Ajanta Press, Calcutta by Bijan Kumar Dutta and published by him from 220 Cornwallis St, Calcutta. ["Ganabani" is also located here]

This periodical - Printing works, Calcutta - is a <sup>very</sup> good <sup>one</sup> <sup>of the</sup> <sup>front of the</sup> <sup>movement of the</sup> <sup>community</sup> <sup>in Calcutta</sup> <sup>and is not</sup> <sup>lacking in</sup> <sup>actionable</sup> <sup>material</sup>.

This issue contains several articles and poems all saturated with Communist ideas though nothing appears to be in line with the <sup>actionable</sup> <sup>material</sup>. In the magazine - Peace, freedom, Culture

2) Office may supply me with 4 copies of the magazine for those who are in the vanguard of the marching army, for those who are waging the great international battle, victory in which should ensure the establishment of the human community without frontiers and without classes. We, the writers, we summon the laggards to hurry up. It is up to them to overtake us. The marching column never stops - Romain Rolland.

The front cover contains a picture of and quotation from Romain Rolland - "For whom do I write? For those who are the vanguard of the marching army, for those who are waging the great international battle, victory in which should ensure the establishment of the human community without frontiers and without classes. We, the writers, we summon the laggards to hurry up. It is up to them to overtake us. The marching column never stops - Romain Rolland."

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The first article in this issue is under the caption "The march before the storm" by Sanat Kumar Roy Choudhury. The writer depicts a most lurid picture of the West. At the present moment - where the Fascist powers are being helped by other imperialist powers including the British to conquer weaker nations after destroying towns after towns and massacring the brave poor of the unfortunate countries as seen in Abyssinia, Spain & China, with the object of creating a formidable group of imperialist powers to safeguard imperialism.



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manuscript copy I may  
do not remember whether  
it had been taken away  
by Bijan <sup>INDEXED</sup> or it had  
been destroyed by me -  
Bijan <sup>INDEXED</sup> told me  
that the office of the  
the Chhatrabani magazine  
was situated at the  
Ganabani office at <sup>INDEXED</sup>  
220, Cornwallis Street  
Calcutta.

Read over and admitted  
to be correct.

Surendrenath Nayak  
12-10-39

Read ~~Recorded~~ by me.

W. S.  
K. S.  
12/10/39

Hour.

of August 1939, placed  
order with me for  
printing 1000 copies  
of the issue of the  
magazine mentioned  
above in the last week  
of July 1939. <sup>INDEXED</sup> Bijan  
outb took away all the  
copies from my press  
with the exception of two  
the press copies. <sup>INDEXED</sup>  
Subsequently Bijan  
outb took away one of  
the press copies. The  
remaining one which  
was with me has been  
handed over to the police  
during the search today.  
The proof sheet and  
the order copy have been  
destroyed. As for the

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Statement of Balu  
INDEXED  
 Surendra Nath Niyogi  
 (aged about 37 years)  
 son of late Hari Das  
 Niyogi of village  
 Barabuchi P.S. Tangail  
 district Mymensingh and  
 of 82/1, Harrison Road,  
 Calcutta.

My name is Surendra  
INDEXED  
 Nath Niyogi. I am  
 the proprietor of the  
 printing press entitled  
 "Ajanta printing  
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 works" at 7, Murah  
 Dher Sen Lane, Calcutta.  
 Bigan Auth-printer and  
 also publisher of the special  
 issue of the  
 monthly magazine  
 entitled "Chakra Kani"  
 (Anti-dear number) in  
 English for the month



Special Diary from the Inspector of Section

Case No.

of the

found and seized from the  
 "Ajanta" printing works" at  
 7, Muralidhar Sen Lane, Calcutta  
 No copy of the above magazine  
 could be found at premises  
 No. 220, Cornwallis Street and  
 nothing was seized from there.

A copy of the statement  
 of Surendra Nath Niyogi -  
 the proprietor of the  
 printing press, situated  
 "Ajanta" printing works  
 at 7, Muralidhar Sen Lane,  
 Calcutta is submitted  
 herewith for favour of  
 perusal.

Submitted: recd.  
 13/10/39 H. K. Sen

Sir,

Most respectfully

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I beg to submit the

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printing press entitled

"<sup>INDEXED</sup> ~~As~~ <sup>As</sup> ~~an~~ <sup>an</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~works~~ <sup>works</sup>" at 7, <sup>INDEXED</sup> ~~Muralidhar~~ <sup>Muralidhar</sup>

Sen Lane, Calcutta and

the "Chhatra Bani" office

at 220, <sup>INDEXED</sup> ~~Commercial~~ <sup>Commercial</sup> ~~Street~~ <sup>Street</sup>, Calcutta respectively

on the strength of search

warrants issued by

the Chief Presidency

Magistrate, Calcutta.

one copy of the proscribed

anti-war number (in English)

of the monthly magazine

entitled "Chhatra Bani" was

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16/1/39

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to AC-SB.

AC-SB.

AC-SB.

AC-SB.

16/1/39

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Government of Bengal.

Home Department.

Political.

No.5502 P.

NOTIFICATION.

Calcutta, the 3rd October, 1939.

Whereas in the opinion of the Governor the special issue in English(Anti-War number) of the Bengali monthly magazine " The Chattravani", for the month of August 1939, printed by Bijan Kumar Dutt at the Ajanta Printing Works at 7, Muralidhar Sen Lane, Calcutta, and published by the said Bijan Kumar Dutt from 220, Cornwallis Street, Calcutta, contains prejudicial reports of the nature described in clause (7) of rule 34 of the Defence of India rules read with sub-clause (k) of clause (6) of that rule ;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred by clause (c) of sub-rule (1) of rule 40 of the said Rules, the Governor hereby declares to be forfeited to His Majesty all copies, wherever found, of the said issue of the said magazine and all other documents containing copies, reprints, translations of or extracts from, the said issue of the said magazine.

By order of the Governor,

Sd. E. N. Blandy,

Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.



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No.5503/1(4) P.

Copy, with a copy of the notification, forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Special Branch, Calcutta for information and necessary action.

2. The notification will issue in the Calcutta Gazette on the 12th October 1939.

*[Signature]*

for Addl.Secy.to the Govt.of Bengal.

Calcutta,

The 4th October 1939.

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5.10.39

1) Copy may be sent to Secy. for  
favour of action as also to 2B  
2) all D.O. & S.O. to note 5/10

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1 sec to sec  
sec. has seen

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K.P. 5/10

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Action as proposed early

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18/3/39

Memo. No. P.Y.616/39 dt- 8.10.39.

Forwarded to (1) Sec. D.P. for information + favour of action  
(2) I.B. for information

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All Communications to Government should give the Number, Date and Subject of any previous Correspondence and be addressed to the Secretary of the Department concerned.

# Government of Bengal

Home Department

Political. Branch

No. 5503 P.

FROM

H. Tufnell-Barrett, Esq., I.C.S.,

Addl. Secretary to the Government of Bengal,

TO

THE Postmaster-General,  
Bengal and Assam.

Calcutta, the 4th October 1939.

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for your information, the accompanying copy of a notification, declaring all copies of the publication, the particulars of which are given in

Special issue in English (Anti-War Number) of the Bengali monthly magazine "The Chattravani" for the month of August 1939. the margin, to be forfeited to His Majesty. I am to request

that you will take action to prevent the dissemination of the matter of the publication in Bengal. All copies that may be detained should be forwarded to the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Intelligence Branch, Criminal Investigation Department, Bengal.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd. W.H.S. Smith,

for Addl. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

No.

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Criminal Investigation Department

SPECIAL BRANCH

Lucknow  
Allahabad U. P.  
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In reply, please quote  
No. G/P-11 (Gen.)  
and also the date of this letter. Without these particulars papers cannot be traced as no receipt and dispatch register is maintained. The subject of correspondence should be clearly indicated in body of reply.

Dated the 25th November 1939.

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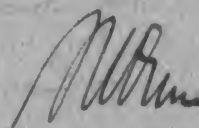
My dear Finney,

Copies of the following two pamphlets have come to light in the U.P. :- INDEXED.

1. "Students' Role in the anti-Imperialist Struggle", printed at the Hindusthan Printing Syndicate, 25, Reniatola Lane, Calcutta. INDEXED.
2. "The Chattravani" - Special issue anti-War number, printed by Bijan Kumar Dutta from Ajanta Printing Works and published by him from 220 Cornwallis Street, Calcutta. INDEXED.

I should be grateful if you would kindly let me know whether these have previously come to your notice and if so, whether any action against them has been taken or is contemplated by your Government.

Yours sincerely,



For A. to D.I.G., C.I.D., S.B., U.P.

To

P.E.S. Finney, Esqr., O.B.E., I.P.,

Deputy Commissioner of Police,

Special Branch, Calcutta.

DS/O.



## GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

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Express Letter.

OFFICE OF \_\_\_\_\_

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Maps or Plans.	To	To be marked for take.
	U. P. S.B.	Department.
Spare Copies.		Branch.
		Collection No.
Class of Papers.	SUBJECT :—	Number and year of File.
		Serial number in File.
Reply Received No. Date.	Reminders issued. 1st No. : dated 2nd No. : dated 3rd No. : dated	Date of Despatch.

No. P. 4.616/39, dated 28. 11. 39.

Enclosures.

Reference your memo No. G. P. - 11 (Gen) dt- 25. 11. 39  
 regarding two pamphlets namely "Students' Role in  
 the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" and the Special Issue  
 of the "Chhatravani" anti-war number.  
 Of these the Special Issue of the "Chhatravani"  
 mentioned above, has been forfeited under the  
 Defence of India Rules by the local Government under  
 Political Department Notification No. 5502 P. dt- 31/1/39.  
 There is no information so far no information ~~is~~  
 on record. is available. Further enquiries are  
 in progress. I shall be glad to know if this  
 pamphlet is in Bengali & if so its stream-iteration and  
 the name of the author may kindly be  
 supplied

28. 11. 39.

J. D. S.B.

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Criminal Investigation Department

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In reply, please quote  
No. G/P-11(Gen)  
and also the date of this letter. Without these particulars papers cannot be traced as no receipt and dispatch register is maintained. The subject of correspondence should be clearly indicated in body of reply.

Dated the 30th November 1939.

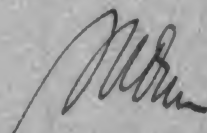
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My dear Finney,

Will you please refer to your confidential Express Letter No. P.Y.616/39, dated November 28, 1939 ?

The pamphlet "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" is a small eight paged bound English pamphlet. I regret that, as our only available copy has been forwarded to Government for proscription, I am unable to let you have a copy of it. The contents are of an anti-war and communistic nature.

Yours sincerely,



For A. to D.I.G., C.I.D., S.B., U.P.

To

P.E.S. Finney, Esqr., O.B.E., I.P.,  
Deputy Commissioner of Police,  
Special Branch, Calcutta.

DS/O.



## SEARCH LIST.

(P. R. B. Form No. 44—Vide Rule 233.)

Details of Property seized by Police-officers acting under the provisions of section 103 or 165,  
Criminal Procedure Code.

1. Date and hour of search

4.12.39. 4-30-55 p.m.

2. Name and residence of person whose house is searched

Hindustan Printing Syndicate 25 Benin Bazar Lane

3. Name and residence of witnesses to search:

- (1) Pratiksha Kumar Banerji 9-25 A Benin Bazar Lane.  
 (2) Kalyan Banerji 29 Sita Ram Bazar Lane.  
 and so on

Serial No. (Each article to be given a separate or collective serial.)	Description of articles seized.*	Description of place where article seized was found.	Name, father's name, residence, etc., of person or persons ordinarily occupying the house in which an article is seized.	REMARKS.—Here should be noted the serial number in complainant's <i>malika</i> , and the exact circumstances under which all articles have been found. A note should also be made in case anything unusual is observed, such as the remains of burnt paper, etc.,
1)	Three Copies of Printed Booklet entitled "Guidelines in Indian Struggle" printed at the Hindustan Syndicate at 25 Benin Bazar Lane.	Produced by Ramesh Chandra Gupta in inside a glass case placed in the office of the person.	(1) INDEXED Ramesh Chandra Gupta (2) Sub Kumar Das (3) Urmila Devi Kundu	

N. B.—This form must be signed by witnesses.

\* Articles seized, numbered and labelled should be attested by signatures of witnesses and Police officers.  
 Permanent marks, such as cuts, etc., must not be made.

Signature with date of the person whose property is seized if present at the search.  
 Ramesh Chandra Gupta 4/12/39.

Signature of witnesses with date.

Signature by the accused (optional)

Police officers conducting the search.

Date

4.12.39.

Place

25 Benin Bazar Lane.



Authorization by the Deputy Commissioner of Police,  
Special Branch, Calcutta, for search, under Rule 126  
(4) of the Defence of India Rules 1939:-

By virtue of powers conferred upon me by  
Government of Bengal, Home (Political) Department  
Notification No. 4774P dated 5th September 1939,  
empowering me to exercise within my jurisdiction,  
powers referred to in clauses (a) and (b) of sub-  
rule (1) of Rule 126 of the Defence of India Rules,  
made under section 2 of the Defence of India  
Ordinance, 1939 (Ordinance V of 1939).....

I do hereby, under sub-rule (4) of Rule 126  
of the said Rules, authorise Inspector/Sub-Inspector  
..... S. C. Kar ..... of the Special  
Branch, Calcutta Police to search... *Hindusthan* .....  
*Printing Syndicate, 25 Benialola Lane* .....  
within my jurisdiction, as I have reason to believe  
that the said place has been, is being or is about to  
be, used for purposes prejudicial to the Defence of  
British India or to the public safety or interest.



*[Handwritten signature]*

Deputy Commissioner of Police,  
Special Branch, Calcutta.

Dated..... 4. 12. 39 .....

SC.

...by the Deputy Commissioner of Police,  
Special Branch, Calcutta, for reasons, under Rule 113  
(4) of the Statute of India (1939)...

...by virtue of power conferred upon me by  
Government of India, Home (Political) Department  
Notification No. 4770 dated 24th September 1939,  
regarding as to restrictive orders by notification,  
passed relating to in clause (a) and (b) of rule  
rule (1) of Rules of the Statute of India Police,  
and under the Statute of India  
Ordinance V of 1939)...

*Seen*

*R.R. Gupta*

*4/12/39*

...of the said Police, and under rule (4) of 1939  
...of the Statute of India Police...

*Returned duly executed.  
Proposed as per search list  
seized.*

*See*

*26/12/39*

*4.12.39*

Deputy Commissioner of Police,  
Special Branch, Calcutta.

The statement of Ranaadhir.  
 D.C. (2) informed and telephone  
 message sent to D.C. (1).

Submitted

S. Chandra

Nov 8/39

4.12.39

J. Choudhury

S. I. B.

4.12.39



<sup>INDEXED</sup>  
"Students' Role in the Anti Imperialist Struggle" from inside a glass Almirah in the office room and said that about one thousand copies of this pamphlet were printed at their press in December 1938 under order of one <sup>INDEXED</sup> Bijan Dutta of B.P.S.7, 6 Aswini Dutta Road.

The order was placed on 27.12.38 and delivery was made on 30.12.38 vide order no. 650 of 27-12-38. The address of <sup>INDEXED</sup> Bijan Dutta was given in the order form 220, Cornwallis St. - Ganabani Publishing House. <sup>INDEXED</sup> Radhakrishna said that these pamphlets were meant for the Students' Conference held at Wellington Square, Calcutta in December 1938 and he kept a few copies for their file.

The place was searched but no other copy nor anything incriminating was found.

<sup>INDEXED</sup>  
Del Kumar was one of the partners arrived just after the search was over and he corroborated

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now under going trial and is on bail.

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6 Aswini Dutta B:  
Bijan Dutta place was searched by S.I.P.C.M on 20.11.39. No copy of this booklet was seized. S.I.P.C.M must report it to me.

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 authorities  
 have gone up in this  
 - suspicion of this  
 booklet. It is not  
 - issued by the  
 Govt. it will have  
 the same effect.  
 have. So we may  
 not take any  
 action in that  
 line. We must  
 request the  
 authorities to  
 let us know  
 about this  
 intimating them  
 we shall take  
 action.

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as proposed: (P) 1-6/12/39 7/2 40397 6/12/39  
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 available  
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 INDEXED

Report of search of Hindustan  
 Printing Syndicate, 25 Benialola Lane  
 on 4.12.39

In virtue of a search warrant  
 issued by the Dy Commr. of Police, S.B.  
 myself and S.D. J. N. Chandhury  
 of S.B. searched the Hindustan  
 Printing Syndicate at 25 Benia  
 lola Lane this afternoon with  
 the assistance of S.D. M. Hosain  
 1 He and the constables of Ambul  
 Street Police Station.

The place was surrounded  
 at 4-30pm and then searched  
 in presence of witnesses: - (1) Probhat  
 Kumar Banerji of 25-A Benialola  
 Lane and (2) Kalipada Banerji of  
 29 Silaram Ghose Street.

Ranadhir Das Gupta (E.C.)  
 of Chittagong and friends  
 Kunda (E.C.) partners of the firm  
 were present. No outsider  
 was found. Ranadhir on being  
 questioned produced three copies  
 of a booklet entitled: -

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 Personal  
 the pamphlet  
 was not noticed  
 by us at the  
 time of the  
 Students' Conference  
 in Dec. 1938.

1. Sec may  
 examine  
 & report if  
 any action  
 is justified.

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## GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

OFFICE OF \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT.  
GROUP.  
BRANCH.

Maps or Plans.	To	To be marked for taking.
Spare Copies.	U.S.B.	Department.
Class of Papers.	SUBJECT :—	Branch.
Reply Received No. Date.	Reminders issued. 1st No. : dated 2nd No. : dated 3rd No. : dated	Collection No.
		Number and year of File.
		Serial number in File.
		Date of Despatch.

No. 14616/38, dated 14.12.39.

Enclosures.

My dear

With reference to your Memo. No. G/L-11 (Gen) dt- 30/11/38, I write to inform you that the Hindustan Printing Syndicate at 25, Beniatola Lane was searched on 4/11/38, and three copies of the pamphlet "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" were seized.

I shall be glad if you will let me know when the pamphlet is proscribed by your Govt. and also send me a copy of the Proscription Notification.

Yours sincerely,

Addl. L.C. S.B.



GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL

OFFICE OF...THE.COMMISSIONER.OF.POLICE,...

Calcutta.

DEPARTMENT.

GROUP.

BRANCH.

No. 01696...

FROM

C.E.S. Fairweather Esqr., C.I.E., I.P., J.P.,  
Commissioner of Police,  
Calcutta.

TO

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Bengal,  
Home Department.

Dated. 13.12.39

Subject:—

Sir,

I have the honour to report that on receipt of information about a booklet headed "Students role in the anti-Imperialist Struggle" printed at the Hindusthan printing Syndicate at 25, Beniatola Lane, Calcutta, in December '38, the said press was searched by the Special Branch, Calcutta Police on 4.12.'39 by virtue of an authorisation issued by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Special Branch, under Rule 126(4) of the Defence of India Rules. Three copies of the said booklet were seized.

This booklet did not come to our notice before and the action was taken on a report from the United Provinces Police stating that the booklet contains anti war and communistic propaganda.

A copy of the said booklet is enclosed for Government's information, and its forfeiture is requested.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

FOR COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,  
Calcutta.

## GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

OFFICE OF...the Dy. Insp. Genl. of Police.

C.I.

DEPARTMENT

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BRANCH.

Intelligence

No.....

758/39 (K)

FROM

To

P.E.S. Finney, Esq., O.B.E., I.P.

Dy Commr. of Police, S.B.

Calcutta.

Dated.....December.1939.

Subject :—

My dear Mr. Finney,

Will you kindly let me have a review of the pamphlet "Students Role in the Anti Imperialist Struggle" which was produced by Ex-Convict Ranadhir Das Gupta during the search of the Hindusthan Printing Syndicate on 4.12.39.

Yours sincerely,

for Special Superintendent., I.B.

PB/N 7/12

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Perusal. Three copies of the  
said pamphlet were seized.

For orders whether a copy of  
the pamphlet may be made  
over to IB Let SI Junta review  
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## CONFIDENTIAL DIARY.

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Hour of receipt by Dy. Commr \_\_\_\_\_

Due Daily to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, D. D.  
S. B.D. D. \_\_\_\_\_  
S. B. \_\_\_\_\_

## CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector \_\_\_\_\_

of D. D. Calcutta dated \_\_\_\_\_ 19  
S. B.

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
	<p>the Congress for fighting out freedom's battle. It has been stressed that a student movement in a colonial country has first and foremost to fight for freedom from imperialist yoke. Indian students must rally themselves in a line with those of China, Spain, Egypt and the rest of <sup>the</sup> world for resisting Imperialist-Fascist barbarism. The danger of war is exposed and also a fascist conspiracy against the Soviet Union is spoken of. Federation, as proposed in India, has been characterized as a brutal method of fascistization. The Congress policy of compromise and capitulation has been criticised and the issue of the political crimes discussed. The appeal concludes with an expression of solidarity of the Indian students with the international student movement and an emphatic declaration of non-participation of Indian students in an imperialist war which is closing down on the world. Soviet-Union has been bolstered up as a powerful buttress of peace and fraternity with which the Indian students declare their solidarity. A fight is also urged against the Federation, Ogilvie Bill and the deserting policy of the Congress.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">13/12/39.</p>	

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## CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector \_\_\_\_\_

of D. D. Calcutta, dated \_\_\_\_\_ 19  
S. B.

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
	<p>Due to the inter-dependency of the entire world in all spheres, social, economic, political and economic, it is in the fitness of things that the evolving of their plan of work in their national revolutionary movement must be prefaced by a critical analysis of the international situation and a conscious understanding of the lessons thereof. International Situation is discussed with particular regard to the Munich Settlement leading to the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia and to the consequent growth of the power of Hitler in Europe. Mr. Chamberlain's policy is bitterly denounced. The article further states that Soviet Russia was sought to have been isolated through the Munich agreement. The temporary victory of reaction let loose the forces of the oppressors man for ending age long exploitation and oppression. It is urged that in <del>comparison</del> comparison with the upheaval of the world anti-imperialist struggle, India's movement has not gained in intensity. The writer criticise and disagree with the ideology of a section of left-wing leaves that attainment of Indian political freedom must precede the struggle for the establishment of Socialism. They hold views that as a phase of historical process of transformation colonial independence will be achieved through the struggle for socialism. The transformation of the existing social system. I strongly urge for the building up of an anti-imperialist united front on the basis of class struggle, and class collaboration and class-peace.</p>	

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## CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector

D. D. S. B.

Calcutta, dated

13/12 1939

Date and hour.

Diary.

Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.

R/40672 of 7.12.39. (Mr. Blockman)  
(Pamphlet attached)

Review of a pamphlet in English entitled  
"Students' role in the anti-imperialist struggle."

The pamphlet has been printed at the  
Hindustani Printing Syndicate, 25 Benatola Lane.  
The following were signatories to the appeal to  
students on the eve of the All India students'  
Conference in Calcutta (Dec-'38 - Jan-'39),

1. Arun Banerjee 2. Sanat Ray Choudhury
3. Mahadev Bhattacharya 4. Indranoy Das Gupta
5. Biren Ghosh (Murshidabad) 6. Gouri Paul (Badia)
7. Sambhu Sarkar (Kerbhani) 8. Biren Ray (Howrah)
9. Haren Chatterjee 10. Ramen Bhattacharya
11. Min Tularami Das Gupta 12. Shit Prosad Chakravarty
- ✓ 13. Subrata Ray Choudhury 14. Tridib Das
15. Sankar Sen 16. Suren Poddar
17. Kshik' Berman 18. Purnima Bose
19. Sushin Kumar, Printing Secretary, A.I. Students' Conference
20. Amar Raha (Dinajpur).

The plea is made that the students, meeting  
in this conference, should take stock of their achieve-  
ments and drawbacks in order to chalk out an  
effective programme of action to carry forward

their movement on and on to the higher levels.



GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

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Removal of S.D. J.D.'s  
Review of the pamphlet entitled  
"Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist  
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Struggle? Copy may be approved.  
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No. 14616/39, dated 19. 12. 39.

Enclosures.

My dear

As requested in your Memo No. 15460 dt- 7.12.39,  
758/39 (K)

I attach herewith a review of the pamphlet entitled  
"Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle."

*Dr*  
*19/12/39*

Enc: Review.

*Dr*  
*10/12*

Yours sincerely

*JOB*  
*15/12*  
*f D.C. S.B.*

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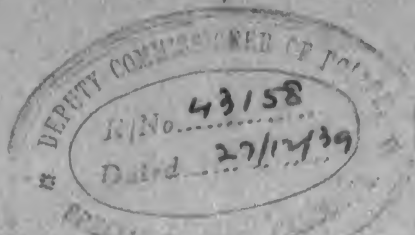
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In reply, please quote  
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*P* Dated the 20th December 1939.



*9-16/12*

My dear Finney,

Will you please refer to your Memo No. P.Y.616/39, dated December 14, 1939.

The U.P. Government have examined the pamphlet "Students' role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle", and have decided against taking any action in the matter.

Yours sincerely,

For A. to D.I.G., C.I.D., S.B., U.P.

*Inform at 8x  
re official letter  
action*  
To

*Tom 28/12*

P.E.S. Finney, Esqr., O.B.E., I.P.,  
Deputy Commissioner of Police,  
Special Branch, Calcutta.

DS/O.

Government of Bengal.

Home Department.

Political(Press).

Notification

No.7190 P.

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Calcutta, the 21st December 1939.

Whereas in the opinion of the Governor the issue of the English booklet entitled "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" printed at the Hindusthan Printing Syndicate at 25, Beniatola Lane, Calcutta, contains prejudicial reports of the nature described in clause (7) of rule 34 of the Defence of India Rules read with sub-clauses (e) and (k) of clause (6) of that rule;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred by clauses (b) and (c) of sub-rule (1) of rule 40 of the said Rules, the Governor hereby prohibits the further publication of the said document and declares to be forfeited to His Majesty all copies, wherever found, of the said issue of the said document and all other documents containing copies, reprints, translations of or extracts from the said issue of the said document.

By order of the Governor,

Sd. H.J. Twynan,

Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

A.J.-22.12.



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Copy, with a copy of the notification, forwarded to the Commissioner of Police, Calcutta, for information and necessary action. The Deputy Commissioner of Police, Special Branch, Calcutta has been informed direct.

2. The notification will issue in the Calcutta Gazette on the 28th December 1939.

*A. G. Ghosh*

Addl. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Calcutta,

The 22nd December 1939.

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Lover  
27/12*

*D.C. L.B.*

*Dec.  
Can we not prosecute?  
27/12*

*What about  
prejudicial act in  
printing this stuff?  
CMT  
27/12/39*

All Communications to Government should give the Number, Date and Subject of any previous Correspondence and be addressed to the Secretary of the Department concerned.

Government of Bengal  
Home Department  
Political(Press) Branch

No. 7192 P.

FROM A. E. Porter, Esq., I. C. S.,

Addl. Secretary to the Government of Bengal,

To

THE Postmaster-General, Bengal and Assam.

Calcutta, the 22nd December 1939.

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for your information, the accompanying copy of a notification, declaring all copies of the publication, the particulars of which are given in

English booklet entitled "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle". the margin, to be forfeited to His Majesty. I am to request that you will take action to

prevent the dissemination of the matter of the publication in Bengal. All copies that may be detained should be forwarded to the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Intelligence Branch, Criminal Investigation Department, Bengal.

2. A copy of the publication is enclosed.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd. A. E. Porter,

Addl. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

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## GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

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No. 43158-C, dated 4. 1. 40.

Enclosures.

1.4.616/38.

My dear

With reference to your Memo. No. B-Gen. d/- 20th.

December 1938, I write to inform you that the

pamphlet entitled "<sup>9</sup> Students' role in the Anti-ImperialistStruggle" has since been forfeited under Govt. of

Bengal, Political Department Notification No. 71906 d/-

1st December 1938

Yours sincerely

6 Addl Secy



## GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE.

C.I. DEPARTMENT.  
..... GROUP  
INTELLIGENCE. BRANCH.

P No. 1548  
758-39(K)

FROM

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3/2/40

To

P.E.S. Finney Esqr., O.B.E., I.P.,  
Deputy Commissioner of Police,  
Special Branch,  
Calcutta.

Dated..... February 1940.

Subject:—

Dear Mr. Finney,

Please refer to your letter No. P.Y.616/39 dated 19.12.39 attaching a review of the pamphlet entitled "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" and kindly furnish me with the fathers names and home addresses of the undermentioned individuals mentioned in the review of the pamphlet -

- (1) Mahadeb Bhattacharji, (2) Sudhamoy Das Gupta,
- (3) Haren Chattarji, (4) Shib Prasad Chakraborty,
- (5) Subrata Ray Chaudhuri (6) Tridib Das,
- (7) Sailesh Sen, (8) Suren Poddar, (9) Kshiti Barman
- (10) Pinaki Bose (11) Sudhin Kumar, Printing Secy. A.I. Students' Conference.

Yours sincerely,

*S. M. M. M.*  
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For, SPECIAL SUPERINTENDENT, I.B.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

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OFFICE OF THE Deputy Commissioner of Police,

14, Lord Sinha Road Park Street P.O.,

Memorandum No. P.Y.616/39, dated the 16. 2, 1940.

To Rai P.K. Biswas Bahadur,

Special Superintendent of Police,

Intelligence Branch, Bengal.

SUBJECT

REFERENCE

Dear Rai Bahadur,

As requested in your No.1548/758-39(K) dated 2.2.40 I write to inform you that (1) MAHADEB Bhattacharjee (B.P.S.F.,C.L.) is a s/o Jatindra Mohan of Palasdanga, Nakashipara, Nadia, and of 159A, Bowbazar Street, Calcutta.

(2) Sudhamoy Das Gupta, (B.P.S.F.) is a s/o the late Ashutosh, of Outshahi, Tangibari, Dacca, and of 137, Bowbazar Street - (Kolay Building room No.21) Calcutta.

(3) Haren Chatterjee (B.P.S.F.) is a s/o Kamini Kumar of Rahamatpur, Barisal and of 3D, Chandra Mandal Lane, Calcutta.

(4) Shib Prasad Chakravarty (B.P.S.F.) is a s/o J.P. Chakravarty, of Mohini Lodge, Kustiabazar, and of 44, Scotts Lane, Calcutta.

(5) Subrata Roy Choudhury is not known to me but there is one Subrata Roy Choudhury s/o Gunendra of 8, Parasar Road, Calcutta, but I am not sure whether he is identical.

P.T.O.

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ds.  
(6) Tridib Das (B.P.S.F.) is a s/o Sita Kanta of 7A Joynarayan Lane, Bowbazar, Calcutta. He is a Calcutta mai

ds.  
(7) Suren Podder (B.P.S.F.) (C.P.I.) is a s/o of Kanai Lal, of Lohagara, Jessore, and of 7, St. James Square, Calcutta.

ds.  
(8) Kshitibhusan Barman (B.P.S.F., W.C.) is a s/o of the late Kunja Behari of Vidyakot, Nabinagar, Tipperah and of 55, Pratapaditya Road, Calcutta.

Nos. 7, 10 and 11 are not known.

Yours sincerely,

ds. Sd. G. B. Ray 12/2

FOR DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,  
Special Branch, Calcutta.

Re  
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S. B. \_\_\_\_\_AS.  
From Inspector \_\_\_\_\_

CALCUTTA POLICE.

K. S. Pandey

of ~~D. D.~~  
S. B. Calcutta, dated 20-12-1939.

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
	<p>Gist of an attached Hindi letter:-</p> <p>From Jagyabalka - Editor "Chetrahani" Agra. Ameer. To - Subbar Ch. Bose. Cud.</p> <p>The writer informs that they are going to publish a monthly illustrated magazine named "Chetrahani" in very near future, &amp; the Editor will be glad to receive an article from the addressee.</p> <p>Submitted</p> <p>K. S. Pandey 20/12/39</p>	

Very Secret

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27/12/39

SPECIAL BRANCH OFFICE,

14, LORD SINHA ROAD.

Calcutta, the 6.1. 1940.

Memo. No.

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P-4616/38

(The secrecy of this interception may kindly be maintained.)

Interception by the Inland/Foreign Mail of

the 20th of December 1939.

From Jagyabalka Editor "Chakrabani", Ajmere

To Subhas Ch. Bose of Elgin Road, Calcutta.

Language of letter Hindi

Post office of interception Park St.

Date of letter Nil

Name of officer who can prove the interception and the fact that it has been photographed Rohini Mohan Chakrabarti

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Interception authorised vide Government Order No. 26(1) P.O. act.

Copies forwarded to

Punjab SB

JS 21/12

Review of Hindi Monthly and Magazine entitled "Chhatravani" dated July 1941 edited by the following :-

Portion marked in green at p.2 of the review may be brought to the notice of the Spl. Press Advisor (thru the Press Sec.D.D.).  
Sd/- S.C.  
5.8.41.

~~Kumari Bhagawati Sugandh,~~  
~~Rabi Chandra Jain,~~  
~~Chouthmal Agrawal,~~  
~~Kishan Lal Bhalotia,~~  
~~Rameshwar Mehta.~~

It is published from 221/2, Strand Bank Road, Calcutta and printed by Abhoy Chandra Sett at The Nava Yubak Press, 3 Commercial Buildings, Calcutta.

D.C.(2). Perusal.  
Action as proposed?  
Sd/-G.B.Roy.  
5.8.41.

Yes send this on to D.C.D.D. for favour of necessary action.  
Sd/-J.B.Bhattacharji  
5/8.

Press Sec. Consult P.P. and put up.  
Sd/-H.N.S.  
6.8.41.

At page 99 in an article entitled "Moonh men Ram Bagal men Churi" (The name of Rama on lips but dagger in the armpit), the writer says that the British Capitalists today say on the beat of drums that they are fighting for the safety of humanity and are begging for the benevolence of the Indian public. But the utter falsehood of these sayings are quite evident from the insult meted out to Sir Hori Singh Gour who is a true helper of the British, whose walls are built on the bones of his loyal forefathers. The incident was that when his house was demolished being hit by a bomb, he went into a hotel for shelter. Here he was turned out saying that he was a "Foreigner, black Asiatic".

The writer says that he is at a loss to understand how one, who calls himself a follower of humanity, can do such acts.

On the same page it is said that the wheels of repression of the British are running fast, and the following comrades have come in its grip.

Com.D.B.Singh, General Secretary of U.P.Students' Federation.

Com.Thakur, Genl.Secy.of Bihar Students' Federation.

Com.Chinmoy Bose, M.A.Com(?)

Submitted.  
Sd/- K.S.Pandit.  
A.S.I., S.B.  
2. 8. 41.

WH.



(Original in D.D. File No. 170 (P.R., D.D.))

S.B. may be requested to send us the English translation of the objectionable passages. The objectionable portions may also be marked in the enclosed magazine.

Submitted to A.C., D.D.

Sd/-

O/C.

Press Sec., D.D.

11.8.41.

To A.C., S.B.

Sd/-

A.C., D.D.

11.8.41.

A.S.I., Pandit. Do it v. early.

Sd/- G.B. Roy.

12. 8. 41.

Sir Attached herewith.

Sd/- K.S.P.

16/8.

A.C.D.D. Translation of the offending portion is given below.

Sd/- G.B. Roy.

18/8.

No. 360 dt. 22. 8. 41.

O/C Press Section.

Sd/-

A.C.D.D.

18.8.41.

This is not actionable.

Sd/- P.C. Sen.

P.P.

22/8.

WH.

(Original in D.D.File No.170(P.R.D.D.)

Romesh Babu, I do not find the official translation of the  
offending article which is in Hindi. I think it is misled in  
your office. Please see to it.

Sd/- S.N.Seal.

H.A.  
P.P's Office,  
Cal.8.8.41.

Translations of the offending articles are sent herewith.

Sd/-

O/C  
Press Sec.D.D.  
19. 8. 41.

WH.

(Original in D.D. File No. 170(P.R.D.D.)

Translation of the objectionable portion at page 99.

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This Way, That Way and by turns.

The wheels of the British repression is running very fast and is taking in its grip the able workers of the student fraction. Comrade D.B. Singh, General Secretary of the U.P. Student Federation, Comrade Thakur, General Secretary of the Bihar Student Federation, Com. Chinmoy Bose M.A. leader's names are worth mention.

Submitted.

Sd/- D.S. Pandit.  
A.S.I., S.B.  
16. 8. 41.

This not actionable.  
Sd/- D.C. Sen, P.P.  
22/8.

Submitted to A.C.D.D.  
for perusal and orders.  
Sd/-

O/C.  
Press Sec.D.D.  
25. 8. 41.

Press Sect.

Sd/- 25/8.

May now be sent to S.B. for information and favour of return.  
Submitted to A.C.D.D.

Sd/-  
O/C. Press Sec.D.D.  
26.8.41.

To A.C.S.B.  
Sd/-  
A.C.D.D.  
26.8.41.

Office - Seen. Return.  
Sd/- G.B. Roy.  
27. 8. 41.

WH.